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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

U.S. Customs and Border Protection

Agency Information Collection Activities:

Application for Allowance in Duties

AGENCY: U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP), Department of Homeland Security **ACTION:** 60-Day Notice and request for comments; Extension of an existing collection of information.

SUMMARY: As part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, CBP invites the general public and other Federal agencies to comment on an information collection requirement concerning the Application for Allowance in Duties (CBP Form 4315). This request for comment is being made pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before

(INSERT DATE 60 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER), to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESS: Direct all written comments to U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Attn: Tracey Denning, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 799 9th Street, NW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC. 20229-1177.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be directed to Tracey Denning, U.S. Customs and Border Protection, Regulations and Rulings, Office of International Trade, 799 9th Street, NW, 5th Floor, Washington, DC. 20229-1177, at 202-325-0265.

agencies to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections pursuant to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Public Law 104-13). The comments should address: (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimates of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden including the use of automated collection techniques or the use of other forms of information technology; and (e) the annual cost burden to respondents or record keepers from the collection of information (total capital/startup costs and operations and maintenance costs). The comments that are submitted will be summarized and included in the CBP request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval. All comments will become a matter of public record. In this document CBP is soliciting comments concerning the following information collection:

Title: Application for Allowance in Duties

OMB Number: 1651-0007

Form Number: CBP Form 4315

Abstract: CBP Form 4315, "Application for Allowance in Duties," is submitted to CBP in instances of claims of damaged or defective imported merchandise on which an allowance in duty is made in the liquidation of the entry. The information on this form is used to substantiate an importer's claim for such duty allowances. CBP Form 4315 is authorized by 19 USC 1506 and provided for by 19 CFR 158, and authorized by 19 USC 1506, Tariff Act of 1930. This form is accessible at:

http://forms.cbp.gov/pdf/CBP Form 4315.pdf.

Action: CBP proposes to extend the expiration date of this information collection with no change to the estimated burden hours or to CBP Form 4315.

Type of Review: Extension (without change)

Affected Public: Businesses

Estimated Number of Respondents: 12,000

Estimated Number of Total Annual Responses: 12,000

Estimated Time per Response: 8 minutes

Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours: 1,600

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